

Remarks

The status of claims 1-12 has been provided in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment that we received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Arguments filed on February 23, 2009, are incorporated herein by reference.

In light of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the amendment is now compliant with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121. It is also respectfully submitted that the claims of the present application are now in condition for allowance. The prompt issuance of a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited. If the Examiner believes that a phone conference could resolve any remaining issues in the application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,

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